

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #70-3 Building Date: ca. 1900

Building Name: House at "Saratoga" (Cipriano Schoolhouse)

Location: 6711 Cipriano Road, Lanham, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The house at "Saratoga" (Cipriano schoolhouse) is located on a lot on the east side of Cipriano Road, across the street from a new subdivision of single family houses. It is a small one-story frame gable-roofed building, with four irregular bays forming its main west facade. Entrance is in the second bay. There is a central cross-gable in the west plane of the roof, partially above the second and third bays, which exaggerates the asymmetricality of the principal facade. The building is covered with German siding painted beige; the plain board surrounds of doors and windows are painted brown. The building rests on a foundation of local sandstone; the roof is covered with asphalt shingle. There is a one story addition to the rear. On the lot behind the building are several modern sheds.

Significance

The small building at 6711 Cipriano Road was identified by surveyors in 1974 as a schoolhouse, because it resembles in form some early twentieth century schoolhouses. Its use as a school building, however, has not been substantiated. It stands on a tract of farmland owned and farmed late in the nineteenth century by J.G. Schoellkopf, and known as Cedar Grove or Saratoga. Schoellkopf sold his 61-1/2 acre farm to William Watts, who subsequently lost the property through default in mortgage payments. The 61-1/2 acre farm was offered at public sale in 1899 as ordered by the Court of Equity, and Schoellkopf repurchased his former property. At that time the farm was improved by a small dwelling and a few outbuildings; it is possible that the present building is a renovated version of this 1890's dwelling. Early in the twentieth century, the farm was divided into smaller parcels as this area near Seabrook began to be developed. Originally consisting of three rooms side by side, this small dwelling was increased in size in the 1950's by the enclosure of a rear porch and the creation thereby of a small living room. Since 1962, it has been a rental property. In the 1960's, influenced largely by the establishment of Goddard Space Flight Center (NASA), this area north of Seabrook began to be developed as a residential community. Today the small dwelling stands on a six-acre lot, in the midst of the Cipriano Woods, Woodlark and Woodholme Forest subdivisions.

Acreage: 6.0139 acres

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic House at "Saratoga"

and/or common (designated on 1974 survey as Cipriano Schoolhouse)

2. Location

street & number 6711 Cipriano Road not for publication

city, town Lanham vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Estelle and A.J. Sacks

street & number 2415 East University Boulevard telephone no.: 422-2233

city, town Adelphi, state and zip code MD. 20783

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 2752

street & number Main Street folio 186

city, town Upper Marlboro, state MD. 20772

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Prince George's County Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974 federal state county local

depository for survey records History Division, M-NCPPC

city, town Riverdale, state MD. 20737

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) Local History
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates ca. 1900 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Early in the twentieth century, the farm was divided into smaller parcels as this area near Seabrook began to be developed; a new road was cut across Bald Hill Branch, north from Telegraph Road, making the property more accessible. Originally consisting of three rooms side by side, this small dwelling was increased in size in the 1950's by the enclosure of a rear porch and the creation thereby of a small living room. A brick chimney was dismantled and removed. As late as the 1950's, the eight-acre parcel was operated as a small farm. Since 1962, it has been a rental property.²

In the 1960's, influenced largely by the establishment a short distance to the north of Goddard Space Flight Center (NASA), this area north of Seabrook began to be developed as a residential community. Today the small dwelling stands on a six-acre lot, in the midst of the Cipriano Woods, Woodlark and Woodholme Forest subdivisions.

Notes

- ¹ Prince George's County Land Recors JWB #26:36,378; JB #6:303.
- ² Equity #2558.
- ³ Conversation with owner, September 1985; Prince George's County Land Records #2302:328, #2752:186.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. P.G. #70-3

Cf. Notes, Item #8

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 6.0139 acres

Tax Map #35, parcel 37

Quadrangle name Lanham, Section A

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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E	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Susan G. Pearl, Research Historian		
organization	Historic Preservation Commission	date	September 1985
street & number	c/o County Planning Division M-NCPPC, 14741 Gov. Oden Bowie Dr.	telephone	952-3521
city or town	Upper Marlboro,	state	MD. 20772

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
 Shaw House
 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 269-2438

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE:

The building is one story with a central dormer extending through the eaves. The four bay main (west) facade has a doorway in the second bay from the north. The rafter ends are exposed. Plain board fasciae from the architrave around doors and windows.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Empty box for major bibliographical references.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				C R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC DATE: 14 Nov 1973

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

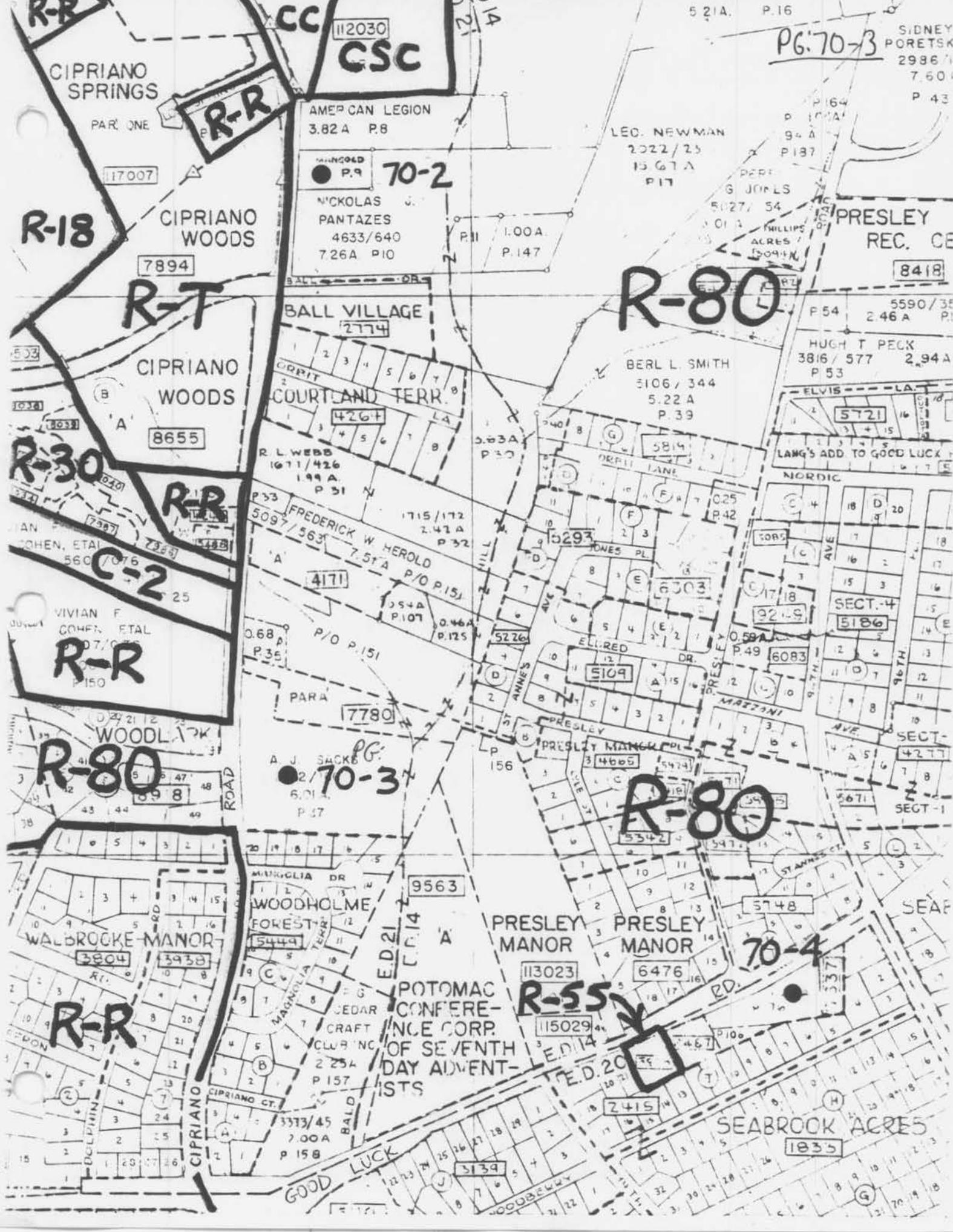
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



R-R

CIPRIANO SPRINGS

PAR. ONE

117007

R-18

CIPRIANO WOODS

7894

R-T

CIPRIANO WOODS

8655

R-30

R-R

C-2

R-R

R-80

WOODLA...

R-R

WALBROCKE MANOR

3804

3938

CC 112030

CSC

AMERICAN LEGION
3.82A P.8

70-2

NICKOLAS J.
PANTAZES
4633/640
7.26A P10

BALL VILLAGE

2774

COURT AND TERR.

4267

R. L. WEBB
1671/426
1.99A
P.31

FREDERICK W. HEROLD
1715/172
2.42A
P.32

7.51A P/O P.151

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0.68A
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P/O P.151

PARA

7780

A. J. SACKS
6.01
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MAGNOLIA DR

WOODHOLME FOREST

5449

MAGNOLIA TERR.

CEDAR CRAFT CLUB INC

2254
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3373/45
7.00A
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CIPRIANO CT.

GOOD LUCK

POTOMAC CONFERENCE CORP.
OF SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS

PRESLEY MANOR

113023

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PRESLEY MANOR

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SEABROOK ACRES

1835

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BERL L. SMITH
5106/344
5.22A
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SIDNEY PORETSKY
2986/7
7.60
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PRESLEY REC. CE

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P.1

HUGH T. PECK
3816/577
2.94A
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ELVIS

LANG'S ADD TO GOOD LUCK

NORDIC

5075

5178

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STANNING CT.

SEAF

521A. P.16

P.164

94A

P.187

PERF. G. JOHNS

5027/54

PHILLIPS ACRES

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PERF. G. JOHNS

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PHILLIPS ACRES



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House at Saratoga

Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

April 1985

West elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



P.G. #70-3

House at Saratoga

Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

April 1985

Southwest 3/4 elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



NAME #70-3 OLD SCHOOLHOUSE?

LOCATION 6711 CIPRIANO Rd GREENBELT, Md

FACADE SW

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